

Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

"Growing an Intimate Relationship with God"

Sunday, March 29, 2026

VISIT OUR INFO. TABLE AFTER THE WORSHIP AND PICK UP A GUEST PACKET

If you are new to HCOC, please share your contact info with us.

If you would like to commit your life to Christ, receive prayer,
or learn more about our church family, please let us know.



MESSAGE FOR TODAY: "The Divine Embrace" Text: Ezequiel 34:11,15-16a,23-24, Mark 6:8,12-13,30-52
BAPTISMS may be scheduled at any time. See Kevin Bibbee or an elder to set a time to be clothed with Christ.

When giving to HCOC:

1. Drop Offering in Box on Back Wall of Auditorium. Envelopes are available on the Foyer Credenza.
2. Mail check to church address listed below
3. Use on-line banking to set-up the church as a payee
4. Donate on Church Website: <http://hickorychurch.org/donate/>

Offering Report – March 22, 2026

Weekly General Offering Need: \$3,175

General Offering: \$ \$2122.00 YTD: \$39,727.92

God loves a cheerful giver. - 2 Corinthians 9:7b

– THIS WEEK –

Church Lunch and Easter Egg Hunt – Today, following our Worship Assembly. Please stay and enjoy lunch and fellowship with us. And we hope the kids will participate in the Easter Egg Hunt (rain or shine).

Coins for Christ – Sun., March 29. Encourage kids to bring coins to share in this offering, teaching the importance of giving.

GriefShare, Grief Support Group, meets Sundays at 2pm in the Hut. Contact Megan Rae Hollar (828-446-9524) to sign-up.

Interested in Bible Study? To learn more about Jesus, baptism, or following Christ, reach out to Kevin Bibbee or our elders. No Kingdom Kids today.

Ladies' Hebrews Discovery Bible Study – Mondays at 6:45pm on Facebook Messenger. See Theresa Watkins to join this study.

Mid-Week Bible Classes for Kids, Wed. at 6:10pm in the Fellowship Hall. **Family Meal**, Wed., at 6:30pm. **Adult class** 7:20-8:00

Zoom will be available. If interested contact Joe Hall, 828-228-2905, and make sure he gets your email address for Zoom link

Bears in Scripture Bible Study, Thursdays, at 7pm, in the Fireside Room of the Cromer Center at Lenoir Rhyne Univ.

– COMING UP –

LIME (For Ladies) - Wed., April 8, 11am - 1pm in the Hut. This will be a study of Max Lucado's book, "Begin Again."

Contact Georgiana Allen (828-461-6799) or Barbara Eckard (828-409-5994), to participate or for more information.

Soco Falls and Mingo Falls Hike: Sat. 04/11, 9:15am at the Soco Falls trailhead. Hikers must read through the trail/event information prior to attending for safety & preparation. RSVP w/ Ali F. or in the church Facebook group.

Carolina Bible Camp Ladies' Retreat - "Rooted - Built Up - Overflowing with Gratitude" - Fri.-Sun., April 17-19 - Mocksville, NC.

Register: \$45 for Sat. only or \$70 for all weekend at: carolinabiblecamp.org/bloom. See Janet Keever for more info

Transportation Museum Tour: Sat. 04/18 at 9:00am in Spencer, NC. Tour Only: \$10 per person, Tour & Train Ride: \$20 per person.

RSVP w/ Ali F. or in the church Facebook group. Please view nctransportationmuseum.org prior to attending for more

Church Information

Pastoral Care/Prayer Minister: Kevin Bibbee | **Church office:** 828-464-4983

Family Life Minister - Christian Counselor: David Shuping – 980-525-7384 | **Evangelist:** Flavio Uribe - 828-348-4266

1218 Fairgrove Church Road, Hickory NC 28602 | **Elders:** Scott Fitch, Tom Keever, Steve Killian, & Percil Watkins | **Deacons:** Larry Duncan, Josiah Tilton, & Joe Hall | **Website:** www.hickorychurch.org | **Sun. Worship Live:** youtube.com/@HickoryCOC and

Facebook.com/HCOC111 | **Email Prayer Requests & Announcements to:** bulletin@hickorychurch.org

Wi-Fi: Hickory Church of Christ WiFi: gentlesquash101

The Hickory Church of Christ is Praying

Rejoice with the angels over Shaun Shuping's baptism into Christ this past Sunday. His appeal to God for a clear conscience was enacted, when he was baptized here by his Dad, David Shuping. Please write and encourage Shaun: 2150 Moore St. Salisbury, NC 28144

Pray regularly for our unsaved loved ones that they would believe in and follow Christ.

Pray daily for our shepherds, deacons, minister, counselor, and evangelist.

Foreign Wars. Pray for all in the Ukraine - Russia War. And for those involved with the Israel-Hamas War.

Pray for the conflict in Iran, For our troops and for a peaceful resolution.

Casey Allen needs God's strength to overcome his challenges.

Georgiana Allen is recovering from a recent inconclusive biopsy and is to have some carcinoma removed soon from her eyelid.

Gabe Burkhalter is to see a pediatric cardiologist Thursday, after having chest pains recently. His blood pressure has been high for some time. Prayers for Gabe, Hester, and all the family are appreciated.

Jacqueline Brinson, who has been with us often, with her daughter Tamia, had surgery and is recovering at home,

Paul and Jan Caldwell's son is in the Cleveland Clinic because of a tumor in his heart. He may be facing open heart surgery, to determine if the tumor is cancerous.

Cole Bay Church of Christ seeks God's guidance for more growth. They are without a full-time preacher but are praying for one.

Barbara Eckard seeks prayers for Sam Nixon (21) who is the brother of her nephew's fiance'. He is on a ventilator, has a severe brain injury, and is unable to breathe on his own, after being hit by a car in Michigan. His MRI shows no damage to his brain stem, so prayerfully his brain will heal in its time.

James Elizee of Cole Bay Church of Christ is recovering from surgery on his leg. His healing has been slow due to his diabetes.

Cathy Hall was with us Sunday, praise God. Please continue petitioning God for healing, as antibiotics don't seem to be helping.

Joe & Cathy Hall's niece, Rachael, is suffering from an undiagnosed illness. She is in her 30's and is almost in a wheelchair.

Myra Hill needs prayers for her severe pain in her neck, shoulder, and left arm. She saw doctors on Friday.

Alfred Cole, Cindy Lidey's brother-in-law, is in rehab, due to an accident. His son, Bryan is grateful for gifts sent after his house fire.

Deborah Miles is now back home, as she continues mending from back surgery.

Andrew & Sara Moody's friend Zachary Page passed unexpectedly on March 11.

Steve Moore, Si Tilton's friend and our brother, is in Searcy, AR. He is terribly sick with cancer and needs are prayers.

Lucy Moss had outpatient hand surgery, after a recent fall.

Margo Hull Nance is waiting for a greatly needed heart transplant.

Sonia Noble, the Watkins' friend, is better with her cancer, as immunotherapy is helping her. She now has unexplained chest pain.

Lori Pickett, the sister of the Watkins' friend, is battling lung, pancreatic and liver cancer. She is taking chemo treatments.

Chelsea Robbins' husband Todd passed away recently. Pray for the family, as they cope with his absence.

Eddie Sigmon will have surgery April 17.

John Stasny has lung cancer. He finished his radiation treatments. He will be reevaluated in 2-3 months, to see if he needs chemo.

Flavio & Renee Uribe Thank God Flavio and Renee are back here with us and for Flavio doing so well after battling Lyme Disease.

Darlene V has health challenges and wants to grow closer to Christ.

Lucille Woodrum hopes she will be able to eat adequately, without swallowing difficulties, and regain weight.

Shut-Ins: Barbara Eddins, Myra Hill, Mary Nichols, and Kay Smith. Ella Jane Mays is at Terra Bella Sr. Living – Memory Care.

Birthdays

Jonathan Barrett 4/1, Elsa Barnes 4/1, 4/4 Natalie Cain, 4/4 Mike Wilfong

Anniversaries

Tom & Janet Keever 3/29

Hospitality Coordinator: March -Debbie Killian